

# Indra K. Nooyi



**Indra Nooyi** is not only one of the highest-ranking Indian American women in American business – she is the highest-ranking woman of any nationality. She serves as president, CEO, and chairman of PepsiCo, one of the farthest-reaching corporations in the world.

**BIRTHDATE**  
October 28th, 1955

**BIRTHPLACE**  
Madras, India

**CURRENT RESIDENCE**  
Greenwich, CT, USA

**PROFESSION**  
Chairperson & CEO PepsiCo

Indra has steered PepsiCo's strategies since she first joined the company in 1994, helping to divest it of its fast-food holdings and guide it toward offering healthier food and beverage products. While soft drinks are still PepsiCo's mainstay, Indra brought wholesome Quaker Oats under the PepsiCo umbrella. She served as senior vice president of Corporate Strategy and Development from 1996-99, senior vice president and COO between 2000 and 2001, and president and CFO from 2001 through 2006. She was named Chairman in 2007.

Previously, Indra worked as senior vice president of strategy and strategic marketing for Asea Brown Boveri, a Zurich-based industrials company, helping them plot a course for their US operations. Between 1986 and 1990, she was vice president and director of corporate strategy and planning at Motorola. Prior to that, she directed international corporate strategy projects at The Boston Consulting Group.

Indra's professional career began in India, where she held product manager positions at Johnson & Johnson and at Mettur Beardsell, Ltd., a textile firm. She came to the US in 1978 to do graduate study at Yale University.

Indra serves on the boards of the U.S.-China Business Council, the U.S.-India Business Council, the Consumer Goods Forum, Catalyst, the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the Peterson Institute for International Economics, the Grocery Manufacturers Association, and Tsinghua University. She is also a Successor Fellow of Yale Corporation and was appointed to the U.S.-India CEO Forum by the Obama Administration.

She holds a BS from Madras Christian College, an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management in Calcutta, and a master's in public and private management from Yale University.

Indra played cricket in college, played lead guitar in an all-female rock band in Madras, and now frequently sings at corporate events.

Indra and her husband, Raj, have two daughters.

“Although I’m a daughter of India, I’m an American businesswoman. My family and I are citizens of this great country. This land we call home is a most loving and ever-giving nation – a Promised Land that we love dearly in return. And it represents a true force that, if used for good, can steady... global economies and cultures. —Indra K. Nooyi